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*Amendment Transmittal*

Atty. Docket No. YOR920010425US1  
(590.072)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of : Chaudhari et al.  
Serial No. : 09/931,316 Examiner : M. Lerner  
Filed : August 16, 2001 Group Art Unit : 2654  
For : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THE SYSTEMATIC  
ADAPTATION OF CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS FROM SPARSE  
ADAPTATION DATA

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

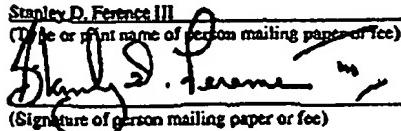
1.  Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.

OR

2.  In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
3.  Small Entity status of this application has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
4.  A verified statement to establish Small Entity status is enclosed.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being facsimile transmitted on (703) 872-9306 on December 23, 2004 to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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5.  Also enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_
6.  No additional filing fee is required.
7.  The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment (Col. 1)	Highest No. Prev. paid for (Col. 2)	Present Rate (Col. 3)	<u>SMALL ENTITY</u>				<u>OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY</u>			
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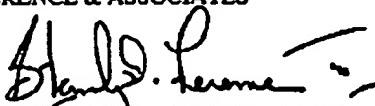
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8.  Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee.
9.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$\_\_\_\_\_ filing fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.
10.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 23-December-2004

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